



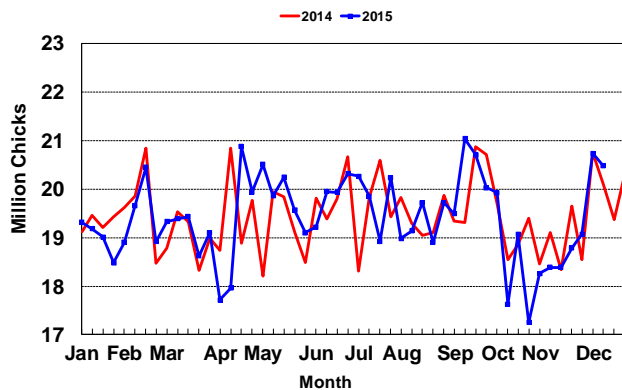
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Arkansas Chick Placements Up 2 Percent from Last Year

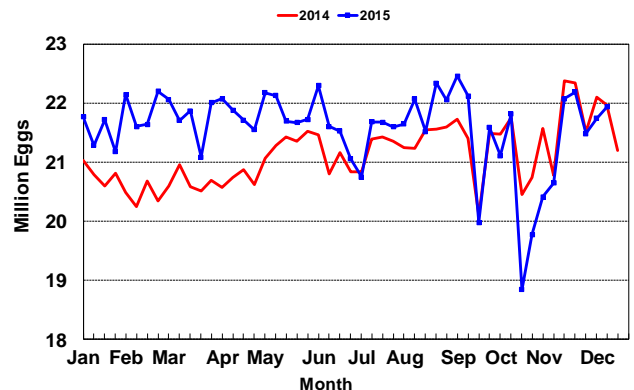
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 20.5 million during the week ending December 12, 2015. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week in 2014 but down 1 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 21.9 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending December 12, 2015, down slightly from the same period last year but up 1 percent from the previous week.

Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2014-2015



Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2014-2015



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, November 14, 2015 - December 12, 2015

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	14-Nov	21-Nov	28-Nov	5-Dec	12-Dec	14-Nov	21-Nov	28-Nov	5-Dec	12-Dec
	1,000 eggs					1,000 chicks				
Alabama	29,688	29,341	30,196	28,609	29,446	20,782	20,059	21,087	21,609	21,648
Arkansas	22,069	22,185	21,483	21,740	21,932	18,384	18,786	19,073	20,735	20,473
Delaware	4,755	4,755	4,755	4,755	4,751	5,163	4,370	4,546	4,873	6,057
Florida	1,224	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,085	1,185	1,183	1,271	1,288
Georgia	33,839	34,102	33,889	33,660	33,901	26,923	25,981	25,339	26,263	27,095
Kentucky	7,867	7,930	7,979	7,979	8,094	4,456	6,198	5,901	6,311	5,829
Louisiana	3,651	3,530	3,561	3,636	3,833	2,990	2,705	2,999	3,225	3,060
Maryland	7,224	8,139	7,600	7,577	7,868	6,130	7,196	6,804	5,060	5,558
Mississippi	17,566	17,797	17,515	17,798	18,006	14,752	13,849	14,265	14,923	15,101
Missouri	8,295	8,045	7,892	7,968	7,984	4,975	5,846	5,524	6,080	6,352
N. Carolina	20,287	20,432	20,617	20,188	20,885	15,926	16,383	16,003	16,204	16,963
Oklahoma	6,911	6,770	6,853	6,649	6,740	4,005	3,560	4,309	3,963	3,411
Pennsylvania	4,869	4,776	4,883	4,657	4,826	3,350	3,862	4,010	4,469	3,946
S. Carolina	5,817	5,797	5,270	5,344	5,368	5,077	4,324	4,747	5,693	5,316
Texas	14,896	15,178	15,446	14,349	14,842	11,785	11,994	11,652	12,250	12,737
Virginia	6,206	6,264	6,596	5,818	6,355	4,804	4,069	5,134	6,045	4,921
CA,TN & WV	12,331	12,325	12,749	11,256	11,433	9,757	10,559	9,939	10,967	11,068
19 State Total	207,495	208,591	208,509	203,208	207,489	160,344	160,926	162,515	169,941	170,823
% of Prev. Year	99	100	100	99	100	99	100	100	100	100
Other States	7,850	7,901	7,853	7,672	7,921	6,330	6,209	5,915	5,982	6,735
U.S. Total	215,345	216,492	216,362	210,880	215,410	166,674	167,135	168,430	175,923	177,558

Revisions made to the previous four-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up Slightly

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 215 million eggs in incubators during the week ending December 12, 2015, up slightly from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 207 million eggs in incubators during the week ending December 12, 2015, up slightly from the year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Up Slightly

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 178 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 12, 2015, up slightly from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 171 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 12, 2015, up slightly from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 10, 2015 through December 12, 2015 for the United States were 8.57 billion. Cumulative placements were up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.